



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: **Akio NAKAJIMA**

Group Art Unit: **3724**

Serial No.: **09/400,833**

Examiner: **Omar Flores Sanchez**

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RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

April 18, 2005

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated February 8, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.